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Approved
Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
April 11, 2014
SM113B, 9:30-10:45 AM

Present: Phil Anloague, Harry Gerla, Emily Hicks, Carissa Krane, Terence Lau, Ed Mykytka, Carolyn Roecker Phelps, Dominic Sanfilippo

Absent: Abdullah Alghafis, Paul Benson, Linda Hartley, Joseph Saliba

Guests: Jim Farrelly, Tom Skill (for J. Saliba), Dominique Yantko

Opening prayer/meditation: C. Krane opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes: The minutes of the April 4, 2014 ECAS meeting were approved with one correction.

Announcements:

- Next meeting - April 25, 2014, SM 113B, 9:30-10:45 AM
- D. Sanfilippo introduced Dominique Yantko who will be Dom's replacement in the fall during his study abroad.
- Committee assignments on 4/25 ECAS agenda
- Roster of new Senators available before Easter

Reports

APC: E. Mykytka reported that the Academic Policies Committee would meet later today where resolution to questions about the proposed Master of Science program in Computer Engineering is expected. The proposal for a Master in Leadership in Educational Systems will also be discussed.

FAC: E. Hicks reported that the committee met on Thursday, April 10, 2014 to continue discussion of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-harassment Policy with Lori Shaw, Title IX Coordinator. The discussion centered around the timing of processes when a complaint relates to both Title IX and one of the Faculty Hearing Committees (Academic Freedom and Tenure or Grievances). No resolution was determined. Further discussion is needed. Lori Shaw agreed to address the questions from the committee's last meeting in writing. The committee also reviewed a revised version of the research faculty title proposal. After a brief discussion, the committee voted unanimously to send the proposal to ECAS for Senate approval with one minor wording change. The committee will meet for the final time this semester on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at noon in St. Mary's 113B.

SAPC: T. Lau reported that the committee had no other meeting scheduled this academic year.

C. Phelps will send the SAPC's comments on the Nondiscrimination and Anti-harassment Policy to Lori Shaw. She sent the FAC's comments on the Policy Prohibiting Illegal, Fraudulent, Dishonest, and Unethical Conduct to Joyce Carter.

Old Business:

Policy on Faculty Titles—Research Professor: The latest version of the proposal for a new faculty title was discussed. J. Farrelly provided several suggested edits that E. Hicks will pass on to L. Hartley, Chair of FAC, and Pat Donnelly. Other comments from today will also be passed along. J. Farrelly questioned the use of two-year appointments since contracts are yearly. Several questions were raised concerning use of the title vs. appointment to a position. H. Gerla made a motion to send the proposed revision to the Senate and D. Sanfilippo seconded it. The motion unanimously passed.

ModernThink Survey: Faculty members on ECAS were given the opportunity to comment on the survey questions. C. Krane raised concerns about the reporting of data, particularly faculty involvement in the receiving, interpreting, and reporting of the data. She stated that ECAS should be actively involved in the process. After much discussion, it was decided that C. Phelps would draft something to be sent to Joyce Carter. She will send the draft to ECAS and will be discussed at the Senate meeting on April 25th. The issue of easy email access to constituents was discussed. Currently, there is no distribution list available to Senators. Senate communications are sent via the Office of the Provost. T. Skill suggested that the Senate could work with University Marketing and Communications to get more input on Porches in hopes of reaching constituents via mechanisms outside of the email system. D. Sanfilippo stated that SGA has a great deal of trouble communicating to students. T. Skill stated that in his experience at UD, the best way to communicate with students was through the Student Housing department.

ELC Facilities Discussion: After a short discussion, the committee decided to continue the conversation at another ELC meeting in the future (not the upcoming April ELC meeting) with a focus on how to solve the problems to make projects more successful.

The agenda for the upcoming ELC meeting (April 15, 2014 at 3:00 pm) has not been set yet.

New Business:

Agenda for 4/25 Senate meeting: C. Phelps will request all year-end committee reports to be submitted early in writing so Senators may review them prior to the April Senate meeting. Questions will be entertained, but the full year-end reports will not be given during the meeting due to a full agenda. The usual committee reports will be given plus a report from a Human Resources Advisory Council member.

The agenda needs to include discussion of and voting on DOC 2007-05. The agenda should also reflect the formal ending of one Senate meeting and the opening of a new one with the new Senators in order to conduct the elections.

C. Phelps has received feedback on the draft resolutions concerning evaluation of administrators from the Faculty Board. No feedback has been received from the local AAUP chapter yet.

Amendments to DOC 2007-05 Processes and Procedures of the AS/Documentation of this DOC in eCommons: C. Phelps raised a concern about how Senate DOC 2007-05 is indexed in eCommons. This document gets revised every year and needs to be easily searchable. E. Hicks will discuss the problem with eCommons staff to devise a solution.

Question Raised by Yong Song, Senator Representing FT-NNT Regarding Representation on ECAS: This would require a constitutional amendment. It was decided that this issue should be tabled until the next academic year in order to have adequate time to discuss.

The issue of standing committee chairs not automatically being on ECAS was also discussed.

Draft Policy from CIP about Academic and Disciplinary Probation/Suspension and Education Abroad: C. Phelps will send this document out to ECAS after the meeting. It will be discussed at a future meeting.

Possible SBA Undergraduate Certificate in Business in the Works: T. Lau stated that SBA is working on a new undergraduate certificate in business for non-business majors who want some exposure to business concepts. He stated that it will be made up of new classes which would not fulfill major or minor requirements. E. Mykytka commented that according to the research that the APC had done while developing the new policy on undergraduate certificates, approval from the Higher Learning Commission and the Ohio Board of Regents may be required due to the high percentage of new classes. T. Lau plans to bring the proposal to ECAS at some point, but ECAS agreed that Senate approval is not needed since the new policy on undergraduate certificates has not been approved yet.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Emily Hicks

Work in Progress

Task	Source	Previously assigned	To	Work due	Due
Consultation	ECAS	ECAS	ECAS	Open communication	ongoing
Instructional staff titles	Provost's office		FAC		
Information Literacy			ECAS	Charge	
Change in Constitution	ECAS		ECAS		
Dismissal for academic dishonesty	SBA	SAPC	Deans' Council		
Anti-discrimination policy	Legal		FAC, SAPC	Comments/recommendations	
Masters of Science in Computer Engineering	SoE		APC	Proposal	
FES discussion			ECAS	Action items	
ELC facilities discussion			ECAS	Action items	
Tasks ongoing					
CAP Competency Committee oversight	Senate		APC	Hear monthly reports	
UNRC			ECAS	Hear monthly reports; Emily Hicks, chair	
Summer tuition	Faculty		SAPC	On hold until tuition model is further developed	